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L. & N. TO IMPROVE HENDERSON ROAD.

Curves to Be Eliminated,
Grades Reduced.

Madisonville to Be Terminal of
H. & E. Which Will be Oper-
ated by L. H. & St. L.

One of the most gigantic undertakings that the L. and N. Railroad Company has ever undertaken on the Henderson division of its system, and which will mean an outlay of \$6,000,000 on the part of the company, is assured, as contracts have been awarded for the improvement of its line in this section. The work will be of such magnitude and on a scale that the public will be astonished at the amount to be expended before the company is through. The improvements will be made for the purpose of increasing the efficiency of its service and with a view of the state on a plane with the best in the country.

One of the objects of the railroad company will be to reduce its grades and eliminate curves between Guthrie and Slaughterville. Road bed cutting and reducing the grades and making fills for the purpose of double tracking its system between these points will cost a vast sum.

The new depot of the M. H. & E. railroad which will be built in North Madisonville, will be used jointly by the L. & N. and the M. H. & E. railroads. The interurban after its arrival in this city from Earlinton will make connections with all passenger trains on the M. H. & E. and L. & N. railroads at the new union depot, which will be modern in every respect. This will be built near the junction.

It has been decided to make Madisonville the terminal of the M. H. & E. railroad and Henderson division trains will also be handled from this city.

The shops and roundhouse will be located in North Madisonville and a large lake will be made just north of the M. H. & E. railroad and between the present main line of the L. & N. and the new loop.

According to the plans of the engineers the loop will cross the northeast corner of the old fair grounds and cross the M. H. & E. railroad one-fourth a mile east of the M. H. & E. junction. This will be an ideal place for the erection of a roundhouse, the location of shops and the lake of the company.

The M. H. & E. will likely be operated under the direction of the L. H. & St. Louis railroad and president Irwin, of this road, will be the executive officer having his headquarters in Louisville. A trainmaster will probably be located at this place.

Madisonville will become the terminus for the division north of Guthrie and south of Howell. This will be of inestimable benefit to the city and when the M. H. & E. is ready for the operations of trains and these improvements are completed the population will be trebled in a short time. It will mean such an influence of people that cannot be imagined by the residents and give the city through connection with points north, south, west and east, the railroad company will make this place its central point for this territory and the city will become a great railroad center.

Esq. C. L. Woodward Dead.

Mr. Clayton L. Woodward died at his home in Beaver Dam, Tuesday morning at 8:30 o'clock, after a few days illness of appendicitis. He had not been feeling well for several days, but did not take to his bed until last Friday. A physician was called who decided that an immediate operation was necessary. Drs. Ford, of Hartford and A. C. Foster, of Owensboro, were called to assist the local physicians and the operation was performed Monday afternoon. When it was announced that his chances for recovery were slight. He never regained consciousness and passed away, as above stated, in the presence of his family and a few of his neighbors. He was 69 years old and had been a faithful member of the Baptist church for 25 years, having joined it when but a boy. He leaves a wife, three daughters and two sons. One of his sons, Prof. Truman Woodward, is at the head of a college at Teintsin, China. The other son, William, is a civil engineer and at present is located in South America. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock, after which the burial took place in the Beaver Dam cemetery. He was one of Ohio county's best citizens and will be greatly missed by his family and friends.

NARROWS.

Mr. and Mrs. S. K. Barrett, Whitesville visited Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Thompson. — Westerfield and Miss Ottra Greer, Ralph visited Mrs. Maggie Powers and family Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. — Duncan, McHenry attended church here Sunday.

Misses, Bessie and Ethel Bennett, of Sunnydale visited friends here last week.

Mr. Jack Walker was in Owensboro Sunday.

Mrs. Kate Barrett, Philpot visited her niece and nephew Mr. and Mrs. Henry Carter the first of the week. Mrs. Carter and little daughter accompanying her home.

Mr. and Mrs. Noah White, Hartford attended church here Sunday.

Mr. Calvin Loyal, who has been attending school at Bowling Green, returned home Saturday.

Miss Ello Renfrow visited her sister, Bessie of Bowling Green last week.

Miss Stella Daniel, Olanton visited Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Daniel Sunday.

The services Sunday by Rev. Powell of Louisville was largely attended. A nice dinner was served.

ANTI-BRIBERY BILL BEING PREPARED.

Makes Recipient of Money Com-
petent Witness—Prepared by
Asst. Attorney General.

Frankfort, Ky., Oct. 19.—Almed at election bribes and intended to prevent the use of money at elections, a bill changing the present law concerning bribery has been prepared by Judge T. L. Blakey, Assistant Attorney General. The bill will be introduced in the Senate by Senator A. R. Burnam, of Richmond. The most important provision of the new bill makes the man who receives the bribe a competent witness against the man who offers the bribe. Under the present law the bribe taker is equally guilty with the bribe giver and being a participant criminal, is not a competent witness against the man who gave the bribe. The following is a copy of the bill in full as it will be offered to the Legislature:

An Act to Prevent Bribery of Voters.—Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:

First—Every person who promises, offers, gives or causes or procures to be promised, offered or given any money or other thing of value, or makes or tenders any contract, undertaking obligation, gratuity or security for the payment of money, or for the delivery or conveyance of anything of value to any voter, with intent to influence his vote at any election, shall be confined in the State penitentiary for a period of not less than one year nor more than five years.

Second—The voter so influenced shall be guilty of no offense, and no prosecution shall be instituted against him, but said voter shall be a competent witness against the party or parties so influencing or offering to influence his vote.

Third—This act shall be given in charge by the various Circuit and Criminal judges throughout the State at every respective term of court held in their respective counties.

Fourth—All laws or parts of laws in conflict herewith are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect from and after its passage.

Hocker-Merston.

Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Hocker, of Corbin, Ky., have announced the engagement and coming marriage of their daughter, Miss Louise David, to Mr. William D. Merston, the happy event, to take place early in December. Miss Hocker though quite young when her parents moved from Hartford to Corbin, is remembered by a host of friends, who join in extending hearty good wishes to her and soon to be husband.

EDITORIAL.

It is being talked, by Democrats of the county, that the present Republican administration is running the county in debt. Of course this talk is engaged in for campaign purposes, there being no foundation in truth for such statements.

We find on examination of the records, in the County Court Clerk's office, that an order was made by the Fiscal Court of Ohio county on the 22nd day of November, 1898, at which time Hon. James P. Miller was Judge, W. A. Rone, T. A. Evans, S. J. Weller, Ed Massie and L. D. Taylor were Magistrates, composing the Fiscal Court, in which it was adjudged that Ohio county was in debt \$30,008.94. This order may be found in Fiscal Court Order Book No. 1, page 348. When the present administration came into power, January 1, 1906, a committee composed of M. L. Heavrin, Republican, and S. K. Cox, Democrat, was appointed to ascertain the amount Ohio county was indebted on that date. On February 19th, they filed a report showing that the total indebtedness of the county on January 1, 1906, was \$24,182.46. Said report is recorded in Fiscal order book No. 2, page 80.

On the first Monday in January, 1909, a committee composed of C. M. Crowe, Democrat, and Ernest Woodward, Republican, was appointed to ascertain the indebtedness of Ohio county, on January 1st. On the 31st day of March they filed their report showing the county's indebtedness to be \$18,079.05. Said report is on file in the Ohio County Clerk's office and together with the order and report before mentioned may be examined by any citizen or voter of Ohio county by application to the County Clerk or either of his efficient deputies. It appears from the foregoing order and reports that the Democratic administration during the time from November 22, 1898, to January 1, 1906, a period of nearly eight years, when the fiscal court was Democratic, reduced the debt of Ohio county \$5,825.58, while during the time from January 1, 1906, to January 8th, 1909, a period of three years when the Fiscal Court was Republican the indebtedness of Ohio county was reduced \$6,103.41.

How anyone can have the temerity to presume upon the ignorance of the people to assert that the present Republican administration is running the county in debt in face of the fact that during three years of it the indebtedness has been reduced \$27.83 more than it was reduced in nearly eight years of Democratic rule, is beyond the comprehension of an honest man. It is purely campaign bosh and is circulated to injure the present Republican candidates for office, there being no point at which an honest attack may be made upon them. It also shows the extremity to which partisans will go to win out in elections. It is too glaringly inconsistent with the facts to be believed by anyone and the circulation of such falsehood should operate as a boomerang to those giving currency thereto.

The truthfulness of the reports of the financial condition of the county to which we refer, and which have been made during Judge Taylor's administration, and published to the world in both county papers, cannot be questioned by anyone. They were made after careful investigation by honest men, one who signed each report being a stalwart Democrat, the other a Republican whose integrity cannot be questioned.

DEATH DUE TO FALL ON SKATES

Mrs. Roy Robertson Receives Fall
Which Results in Pa-
ralysis.

Central City, Ky., October 16.—The little town of Moorman, three miles from here, on the L. and N. railroad was greatly shocked and saddened on learning of the sudden death of Mrs. Deva Robertson, the young wife of Mr. Roy Robertson, the well known merchant, which occurred during the night of Thursday. Several months ago Mrs. Robertson suffered from a fall while skating on roller skates, and which seriously injured her nervous system. But she had apparently recovered from this and was several times a visitor in Central City recently. On Thursday evening at 6 o'clock she was on her front porch awaiting the coming of her husband from his place of business, and not long after this hour she was stricken, and suffered intensely for an hour before death relieved her. It is said that death was the result of paralysis following the fall which she received some time ago. Her death is particularly pathetic being only seventeen years old and a ride of four months. She leaves besides her young husband, her widowed mother, Mrs. A. Hendric, postmistress of Moorman; three sisters and two brothers. One of her sisters left on Tuesday for her home in Georgia, after a visit to Mrs. Robertson. Another sister is a bride of two weeks, having married Professor C. P. Moore of Owensboro. The funeral which occurred at South Carrollton on Friday was largely attended and was conducted by the pastor of the Methodist church of which she was a consistent member.

Notice.

We want all Home guards to meet in Hartford, Nov. 6th, 1909. Special business to be attended to.

W. M. Stevens, Beaver Dam, Ky.

TAFT THROUGHLY ENJOYS VACATION

Drives Secretaries and Cares of
State Away, Rides Horse-
back and Plays Golf.

Gregory, Tex., Oct. 19.—President Taft began his three days of doing as he pleased on his brother's ranch today by playing eighteen holes of golf this morning over a muddy course and by "just loafing" through the long afternoon and evening.

Mr. Taft was as happy as a boy out of school. The idea of eating a dinner without having to speak for it and of going the livelong day without having to make a speech appealed to him strongly and he declared he wished his far-southern vacation could last a week and three days instead of just the latter period.

While the President was golfing and resting, the members of his party enjoyed themselves in various other ways. Secretary of War Dickinson and Capt. Archie Butt were up before the sun and started out on an all-day duck-shooting expedition, at the fresh-water tanks on the ranch, ten miles away from the "farmhouse" at Aquinta, a veritable palace set on the shores of Corpus Christi Bay, looking out over the waters of the Gulf of Mexico. They returned late this afternoon with quite a bag and denied the President's taunting insinuation that they had been presented with the birds.

Others of the party took long horseback rides and had a swim in the bay. Beginning to-morrow the President will probably go in bathing each remaining morning of his stay, as both weather and water are warm.

Ranch hands out hunting to-day killed two wild cats, two wild boars and a raccoon. All were presented to the president to-night. To-morrow morning the President will golf and in the afternoon will have a tennis ride to the Lincoln section of the ranch to see a small round-up of cattle and sheep and some exhibitions of cow punching. He will be pre-

sented with a big and comfortable saddle made especially for him. Tonight he was given a 'possum, which was caught in a church at Arkansas Pass by Tom Martin.

The President banished his assistant secretaries from La Quinta today and gave no thought to public business in any way. He roamed about the grounds adjoining the house, walked out on the long pier leading into the bay to watch those who were in swimming and declared he was having the time of his life.

The President's play days will end Friday morning, however, when he will be taken by boat to Corpus Christi to be the guest of that city during the day and to address the convention of the Inland Waterways Association.

FAIR VIEW.

Oct. 20.—Times are dull and news is scarce in this community. However I will give a few items.

Mrs. Lena R. Acton, Dundee visited her father-in-law, Rev. T. J. Acton Saturday night. She was accompanied home Sunday by Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Hansell, Medaryville, Ind.

Mrs. Elgia Carter, Narrows visited the former nieces, Misses Bessie and Ruby Acton Monday.

Mrs. J. C. Thomas and little son, Will and Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Stone are visiting relatives in Hancock County.

Miss Bessie F. Acton, Shroader visited her mother Friday night.

BODY BLOW FOR THE DEMOCRATS

County Clerk Taylor, of Daviess,
Refuses to Put Their Ne-
gro Ticket on Ballot.

Owensboro, Ky., Oct. 19.—The Democrats and their few Republican allies, sore about the G. O. P. convention, were routed completely here Monday when County Clerk E. P. Taylor, himself a Democrat, not only refused to allow the negro ticket chosen by the Democrats to go under the Republican device, but even declined the negro ticket a lodging place on the ballot at all.

Last Wednesday a petition, circulated chiefly among ignorant negroes by Democratic henchmen, on the pretense that they were forming a Republican club, was filed with the County Clerk, asking that negro candidates for County Clerk, Circuit Clerk County Attorney, School Superintendent, Coroner, Assessor, Sheriff, etc., be placed under the log cabin. The purpose of the petition was to tie a weight on to R. D. Bryant, the Republican nominee for County Judge, and a probable winner. On the following day the Republicans held a party convention and nominated a full county ticket. The Democrats then tried to get the County Clerk to put the names of the negroes under the Republican device instead of the regular party nominees, contending that the petition was prior to the convention and the latter was not regular.

County Clerk Taylor held a hearing on the disputed matter Monday afternoon, and decided in favor of the white ticket, holding that a party emblem is the property of that party and can be protected by it against any abuse. The Clerk also held that the negro petition was not legal, in that it did not state that the petitioners were Republicans, or even that the candidates were. When this decision was announced the Democrats tried to get the Clerk to put the negro ticket on the ballot under a device of his own choosing, but the Clerk also declined to do this, holding that the petitioners must represent a party who cast a vote at the last election, and 146 men in a new organization, with a fancy device, could hardly be considered so numerous.

Notice.

I will on Monday, Nov. 1st, 1909, about one o'clock p. m., offer for sale by public auction at the court house door in Hartford, Ky., to the highest and best bidder a new house and lot on Clay street, opposite the E. D. Walker place. House has five large rooms, a hall and two verandas. Good outbuildings and barn, a well of never falling water, plenty of fruit trees and grape vines. Lot contains 1-8 acres. Terms one-half cash and balance in six and twelve months time with approved security.

L. T. BARNARD,
G. B. LIKENS, Agt. 41-43

OHIO CO. FARM- ERS INSTITUTE

To be Held at Hartford
Nov. 8 and 9.

Competent men Will be Present
to Discuss Practical
Topics.

The Farmers Institute for Ohio county, which will be conducted under the supervision of Commissioner of Agriculture, M. C. Rankin, will be held at the courthouse in Hartford, Monday and Tuesday, November 8th and 9th, 1909. Mr. J. A. McClure, of Hickman, Ky., and Mr. J. B. Walker, of Hopkinsville, Ky., both competent men made so by personal experience at farming, will be present and together with the farmers of Ohio County will discuss topics of interest to those engaged in the tilling of the soil. These men have been employed by the Commissioner of Agriculture to hold institutes for the benefit of the farmers and if the farmers are to derive any benefit from these institutes, they must come out and hear the discussions and engage in them.

It is intended that the two days meeting be attended not only by the farmers, but by their families and it is suggested by the organizer, Mr. J. W. Ebersbaker that those attending bring their dinner and stay all day. This will be a departure from other institute held here, but is a splendid suggestion and the farmers should, in accordance with directions bring their baskets filled with dinner prepared to stay all day each day.

An attractive program has been arranged and the leading farmers of the county have been assigned practical subjects familiarity with which will better prepare them for the work which they have in hand. The American Society of Equity teaches the science of controlled marketing which is an important matter for the farmer to familiarize himself with. It is the province of the farmers institute to teach the scientific way of seedling, cultivating and harvesting the crops adapted to the various sections of the state, with a view of best preserving the soil and producing the best and most abundant crops therefrom. When the people have been sufficiently educated along the lines taught by these two institutions and put into practice the information gained, they can conduct their affairs better and make more with less effort.

SELECT.

Oct. 19, 1909.—Mr. W. I. Langford has just returned from Warren County where he has been to attend the Taylor reunion. Joseph Taylor, a Revolutionary soldier, settled in Warren County, Ky., near Richardsville, in 1801. It was on the old home-stand where the reunion was held. The Taylor family is a very large one, the descendants being scattered from the Atlantic to the Pacific and from the Lakes to the Gulf. There were nine States represented. Prof. H. H. and T. C. Cherry and Judge Brauburn, of Bowling Green, addressed the large audience Saturday and Dr. S. D. Taylor of Beaver Dam, read a history of the Taylor family for several hundred years back.

Rev. R. P. McKinley and family have moved to Hartford.

Miss Loretta Hoxey, who has been visiting in Butler, Edmonson and Warren county for the past two months, has returned home.

Mr. John W. Keown has bought a half interest in a butcher shop in Central City and will move sometime between now and Christmas.

Mr. S. M. James is quite sick at this writing with neuralgia.

Marriage License.

G. L. Smith, Hartford age 21 to Ollie Davis, Hartford age 21.
Alva Blacklock, Narrows, age 18 to Ida Clay, Narrows age 18.
John G. Keown, Hartford, age 38, to Laura I. Morton, Hartford age 28.
William Vandiver, Runsey, Ky. age 65 to Louisa G. Tweddell, Hartford age 57.

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